

**Claims**

- 1           1.       A cellular telephone keypad cover comprising:  
2               a battery compartment cover adapted to secure over a cellular telephone  
3               battery compartment; and  
4               a flap pivotally attached to said battery compartment cover and adapted  
5               to overlay a cellular telephone keypad.
- 1           2.       The keypad cover of claim 1 further comprising an apparel  
2               attachment device attached to said battery cover.
- 1           3.       The keypad cover of claim 1 further comprising said flap having  
2               an inner face adapted to store a thin sheet material.
- 1           4.       The keypad protector of claim 1 wherein said flap is pivotally  
2               attached to said battery compartment cover with a hinge pin.
- 1           5.       The keypad protector of claim 1 wherein said flap is pivotally  
2               attached to said battery compartment cover through a pivot pin in one  
3               component selected from a group of said flap and said cover and a  
4               complimentary aperture in the other of said flap or said cover.

1           6.     The keypad protector of claim 1 wherein said flap has an end  
2 spaced from a pivot axis about which said flap is pivotally attached to said  
3 battery cover.

1           7.     A keypad protector comprising:  
2 a battery compartment cover adapted to secure over a battery  
3 compartment of a portable electronic device having a keypad, said battery  
4 compartment cover having an outward surface, the outward surface forming an  
5 extender having dimensions beyond that of the battery compartment; and  
6 a flap pivotally attached to the extender and adapted to overlay a  
7 portion of the keyboard.

1           8.     The keypad cover of claim 7 further comprising an apparel  
2 attachment device attached to said battery cover.

1           9.     The keypad cover of claim 7 further comprising said flap having  
2 an inner face adapted to store a thin sheet material.

1           10.    The keypad protector of claim 7 wherein said flap is pivotally  
2 attached to said battery compartment cover with a hinge pin.

1           11.    The keypad protector of claim 7 wherein said flap is pivotally  
2 attached to said battery compartment cover through a pivot pin in one

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3 component selected from a group of said flap and said cover and a  
4 complimentary aperture in the other of said flap or said cover.

1 12. The keypad protector of claim 7 wherein said flap has an end  
2 spaced from a pivot axis about which said flap is pivotally attached to said  
3 battery cover.